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With the formation of oblasts in an a Estonian SSR in May 1952, the Karelo-Finnish SSR remains as the only Soviet republic whose basic territorial-administrative pattern is that of rural rayon: directly under republic subordination.

By a 10 May 1952 ukase, the Presidium, Supreme Soviet USSR, has confirmed the proposal of the Presidium, Supreme Soviet Estonian SSR, to set up the following oblasts in the Estonian SSR:

Tallin Oblast -- with its center in the city of Tallin. Tallin Oblast includes the cities of Tallin, which remains under republic subordination, Kokhtla-Yarve and Narva, and the following rayons: Vyayke-Mar'yaskiy, Yykhviskiy, Keylaskiy, Kiviyliskiy, Koseskiy, Loksaskiy, Paydeskiy, Rakvereskiy, Raplaskiy, Tapaskiy, Tyuriskiy, and Khar'yuskiy.

Py- 'u Oblast -- with its center in the city of Pyarnu. Pyarnu Oblast includes the following rayons: Ab'yaskiy, Vil'yandiskiy, Vyandraskiy, Kilingi-Nymmeskiy, Kuressaareskiy, Likhulaskiy, Myar'yamaskiy, Orissaareskiy, Pyarnuskiy, Pyarnu-Yagupiskiy, Suure-Yaniskiy, Tyrvaskiy, Khaapsaluskiy, and Khiyumas-

Tartu Oblast -- with its center in the city of Tartu. Tartu Oblast includes the following rayons: Antslaskiy, Valgaskiy, Vastselinaskiy, Vyruskiy, Yygevaskiy, Kallasteskiy, Mustveskiy, Otepyaskiy, Pyl'vaskiy, Pyl'tsamaskiy, Ryapinaskiy, Tartuskiy, and El'vaskiy.

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